

BOARD OF TRADE CONDUCTS TRIAL

Membership Committee of
Past Year Pleads Guilty
of Activity.

BOOSTED ORGANIZATION

Forced to Spend Evening in Mirthful
Merrymaking—Edward Colladay
Is the Leading Offender.

The 1915 membership committee of the Board of Trade appeared before Justice Brandeis in an improvised courtroom in the Continental Hotel last night to answer the indictment of having boosted the membership of the organization from 533 to 1,138 during the year just ended. The accused, led by Edward F. Colladay, modestly entered a plea of guilty, and was sentenced to spend the evening in mirthful merrymaking.

After the court attendants had bedecked the prisoners in vari-colored imp caps, they were led to tables, where they began their sentence with the prison food usually served in the Kingdom of Joy. Soon the modest prisoners became accustomed to the surroundings, and promised the court that the honor system could be applied without fear of any of the accused attempting to escape.

Justice Brandeis in adjourning the court—the hour of adjournment was suggested by the court—made a strong plea for representation for the people of the District in Congress.

"Whether it comes in two years or five years makes little difference," said "Justice" Brandeis, "it is bound to come, and upon the Board of Trade rests the duty of securing it."

On the bench with Justice Brandeis were Associate Justices Robert N. Harper, Theodore W. Noyes, J. Harry Cunningham, Charles F. Crane, Chris J. Goecker and Odell S. Smith. Each of these jurists, when called upon by the presiding officer, lauded the clever ability of Edward F. Colladay, the leader of the accused committee, in persuading the men of Washington that it would be to their advantage and to the advantage of the city to join the Board of Trade. Justice Noyes also referred to the ability of the accused in inducing civic bodies to affiliate with the Federation of Citizens' Associations.

WILSON MAY FAVOR TAX ON MUNITIONS

Poll of House Democrats Shows Sub-
stitute for Stamp Levy Has Many
Advocates in Congress.

That President Wilson is likely to be won over to a proposal to place a tax on munitions of war as a part of the general revenue bill to be framed as a means of raising money for national defense is the belief of prominent leaders of the House. A poll of the House Democrats seems to indicate that a munitions tax is quite generally favored in preference to a re-enactment of the stamp tax features of the emergency war act, or supplemental stamp taxes as recommended by President Wilson.

It was pointed out yesterday by House leaders that the term "munitions" is broad and indefinite, and that, loosely construed, it might be made to cover a large variety of manufactures that are now being exported in considerable quantities. In his address to Congress on December 7 the President suggested, among other things, that taxes should be levied on fabricated iron and steel products, pig iron, automobiles, internal combustion engines and gasoline. He also suggested that the surtax rates of the income tax law be raised, and that the exemptions of that statute for married and single men might be lowered.

The suggestion is made by House members that the proposals of Speaker Clark and Leader Kitchen that stamp taxes should be abandoned and the monies for defense obtained by amending the income tax so as to increase the yield from that quarter and by an assessment on munitions, together with the President's recommendations, may be the basis of a compromise. Both agree that the income tax should be made to yield more money.

Purely Personal

Representative Hamill, of New Jersey, who "lighted" in Washington on Wednesday following an illness of several weeks, has returned to his home to be gone until Tuesday. George Malone is holding down "the lid."

Ralph D. Clinton, clerk in the General Land Office, Department of the Interior, has been promoted from \$1,400 to \$1,600 a year.

Yesterday being "McKinley Day," the anniversary of the birth of the martyred President, Representative William B. McKinley, of Illinois, who is always thinking up pleasant things to do, passed around several hundred carnations, the favorite flower of President McKinley. Virtually every member, employee and attaché of the House carried a carnation and a "much-dolled-up" expression.

W. F. Roseman, of St. Louis, is in Washington on business. He is registered at the New Willard.

M. L. Requa and sister arrived here yesterday from Piedmont, Cal., on a tour of the Eastern cities. Mr. and Mrs. Requa are guests at the New Willard.

John H. Govey, special agent for the Department of the Interior, has resigned.

E. J. O'Leary, has resigned as stationary engineer in the General Land Office, Department of the Interior.

Henry Bowden, deputy collector of customs at Norfolk, Va., is in Washington on business connected with the Norfolk office.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Grimes, of Portland, Me., are registered at the New Ebbitt.

Robert S. Leach, of Knoxville, Tenn.; H. M. Brinkley, of Memphis, and E. S. Watts, of Roanoke, Va., are guests at the New Ebbitt.

P. M. Winkler, of Boston, and H. C. Beebe, of Bridgeport, Conn., are registered at the New Willard.

A. J. Hunt, of Arkansas City, Kan., who is in the East on business, registered at the New Willard yesterday.

Rev. Lucius C. Clark, pastor of Hamline M. E. Church, will bring to a close this week's revival service tonight with a jubilee celebration.

Prof. Leslie Cleveland McNemar, secretary of the faculty committee on student activities at George Washington University, is busy completing arrangements for the annual indoor track meet to be held at Convention Hall.

Charles M. Schneider, of Cincinnati, is at the New Willard.

Gen. Bridges, of the British Remount Service, stopped in Washington on business Friday. He has been investigating the outbreak of glanders in the shipments of mules contained from Southern ports to Great Britain.

Mrs. Frank C. Wood, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. M. R. Waldecker, of Lynchburg, Va., are visiting friends in Washington.

Miss Elsie Curtis will leave the city today for the Mary Baldwin Seminary.

Miss Pauline Rosenstein, of Richmond, is visiting with friends in Chevy Chase.

Miss Hazel K. Willhoit, has received an appointment as a stenographer in the Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

Arthur J. McLean, of Washington, has been appointed a copyist in the Patent Office.

A. W. Converse, of Palmer, Mass., manufacturer, is staying at the St. James Hotel while in Washington on business.

Fred C. Lee and M. B. Merriam, of Morgantown, W. Va., are staying at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Manager E. C. Owen, of the Powhatan Hotel, has returned from Baltimore, where he attended the automobile show.

Louis H. Millspaugh, of Charlotte, N. C., has moved to Washington, where he is to be employed by the United States Realty Company, at Randle Heights.

William F. McColeough, a laboratory assistant in the Bureau of Standards, has been promoted and transferred to the Bureau of Navigation.

John H. East, Jr., has been appointed a junior mining engineer in the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior.

Richard W. Flaherty, formerly of Washington and a graduate in the law school of the University of Virginia, is employed by the Farmer's and Mechanic Bank, of Hopewell, Va.

Dr. S. H. Diggs, who was formerly a chemist for the government, is now research chemist for the Standard Oil Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Abell W. Diggs, of Norfolk, Va., are on a two weeks' visit with friends in the city.

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Federation of Women's Clubs Hits Proposed School Plan

Resolution Unanimously Adopted Against Commissioners' Proposal—Indorse Bailey Bill for Election of Board of Education by People of District—Elect Delegates.

The Commissioners' plan to secure control of the schools was dealt another heavy blow last night when the Federation of Women's Clubs of the District of Columbia met at the Ebbitt Hotel. The resolution was recommended by the committee on education and adopted unanimously.

The federation also indorsed the bill introduced in the House by Representative Warren Worth Bailey, of Pennsylvania, providing for the election of the Board of Education by the people of the District. Several of the delegates lauded the clause in the Bailey bill which would give the women of the District the right to vote in electing the Board of Education. The motion was offered by Mrs. Lucy R. Swanton.

Mrs. Augustus Knight, Mrs. Josephine Jacobs, Mrs. Annette Paul and Mrs. Ellis Logan were elected delegates to the biennial convention of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, which meets in New York from May 24 to 31. Mrs. Anson R. Tracy, Miss Estelle Wheeler, Mrs. L. B. Stine and Mrs. Jessie Lane were elected alternates to the convention.

Miss Estelle Wheeler, who supervises the Georgetown station of the Washington Diet Kitchen, outlined to the federation the plans for the "baby week," that is to be held throughout the country next month under the auspices of the Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor. Miss Wheeler told the delegates it is to be an effort to awaken American mothers to a realization of the necessity of properly caring for their infants if they hope to raise a nation of healthy, normal people.

The meeting was opened with the singing of a chorus, directed by Mrs. Henry Churchill Cook. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Paul Anderson, accompanied by Miss Wilmette Gary.

Members of Ohio Society Honor
Memory of President McKinley

Former Vice President Fairbanks Says McKinley's Efforts to
Prevent War with Spain Alone Would Give Him Title
to Immortality—Four Hundred at Celebration.

Asserting that President McKinley was a peacemaker even more than a soldier, although he became a major in the army, that he did everything in his power to eradicate the last remaining trace of bitterness between the North and South, and that his splendid effort to prevent this country from being plunged into war with Spain alone would give him title to immortality, former Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks reviewed the life of the martyred President before the Ohio Society of Washington in his address last night. More than four hundred members of the society were present with their friends, and enjoyed an evening of speaking, dancing and entertainment in honor of the sixth anniversary of the society and in celebration of the birthday anniversary of William McKinley.

In the absence of Justice Day, president of the society, Senator Warren G. Harding, the new Senator from Ohio, presided over the evening. He was warmly introduced by Mr. Fairbanks.

The platform was set with vases of McKinley roses, and Mr. Fairbanks remarked that they were the best physical characteristics of the president, more than of any other man of his time. He was a young man, many prominent men of the city and handsomely gowned women gave brilliance to the audience.

Following the speaking, the address by Mr. Fairbanks and the invocation by Rev. Couden, an hour of vaudeville and entertainment made up the second half of the program. The "Foundry Quartet" sang "Rispetto," and were warmly applauded. There were vocal solos by Mary Sherler-Bowie and John F. M. Bowie. "Movies" were the closing feature of the entertainment. Then dancing was indulged in and refreshments were served.

Mr. Fairbanks said in speaking of President McKinley:

No one knew better than he the result of a serious engagement with Spain. He realized full well that victory to our arms would increase his prestige throughout the world, and make more secure his place in American history. Yet all this he counted as nothing, and labored honorably with all his power to avert the dread issue. He loved peace and desired that it should not be disturbed. While seeking honorably to prevent war, he was earnestly preparing to meet it. "There is in all our splendid history no sublimer spectacle than that presented by William McKinley in his effort to prevent war."

Mark Twain's connection with the printing industry is interestingly described in the "American Printer," from the days when he was an itinerant typesetter. His first job when his wandering brought him to New York city, it is stated, was in the composing room of Gray Green, the predecessor of the William Green Corporation, the present printers of The Outlook, to the time when he was the financial head of the firm of Charles L. Webster & Co.

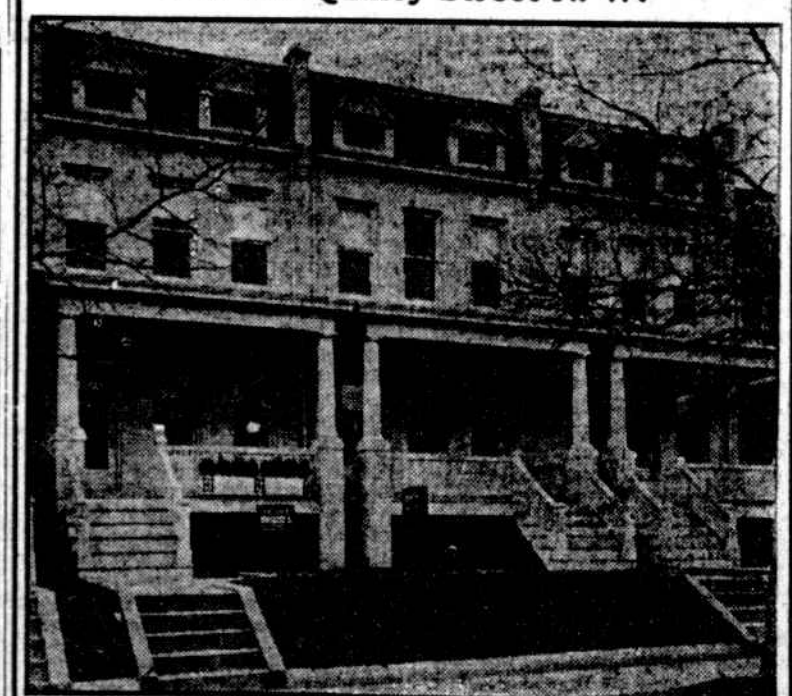
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Representative Steele Tells
Iowa Society All Should
Be Treated Alike.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Membership Now 190, Reports Secretary—John Sylvester Gives Interesting Reading.

Representative Thomas J. Steele, Representative C. William Ramseyer, and former Representative Hull, of Iowa, were the principal speakers last night at the annual meeting of the Iowa Society of Washington at the Raleigh. The annual election of officers, which preceded the speaking, resulted in the re-election of those officers who served last year. They are James D. Rowen, president; William G. Ladd, first vice president; Mary W. Durham, second vice president; Edward L. Newby, secretary, and George T. Bell, treasurer.

Referring to the administration's preparedness program, Representative Steele declared that the United States should be prepared to protect itself against all comers but that this country should treat all nations alike.

Should Treat All Alike.

"I do not see why we should not chastise, William, Henry and John," he said, "when they commit acts against this government, but I believe that we should chastise them all alike and then we will keep out of serious trouble."

John Sylvester gave a reading, accompanied by Mrs. Sylvester on the piano. Four members of the society, Bryce W. Royce, Miss Bertha Moore, Chauncey M. Wessell and Mrs. Nellie K. Dodge, presented a comedy, entitled "A Soft Black Overcoat with a Velvet Collar."

The membership of the society is 190, according to the annual report of the secretary, Edward L. Newby. Mr. Newby, at the conclusion of the reading of his annual report, was presented with a gift as an appreciation of his industry during the year.

HOLD LADIES' NIGHT.

University Club Event Featured by Recital by Quartet.

A recital by the National Quartet was a feature of the ladies' night of the University Club last night in the main club-room. Nearly two hundred men and women were present during an excellently rendered musical program of solo and quartet numbers.

The quartet was composed of Elizabeth S. Maxwell, soprano; Lillian Chenoweth, contralto; Ethel Garrett Johnston, pianist; William E. Brathwaite, tenor, and Joseph K. Schofield, basso. "Carry me back to Old Virginia," "Star of Descending Night" and "Good-Night, Good-Night, Beloved," were quartet numbers that scored special success.

The most valuable remaining product of Stradivarius, the famous violin maker, is part of the Havemeyer collection of New York, and is known as the "Earl Strad," because the master dedicated it to the earl of Northumberland.

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New York, Jan. 26.—The story of a Philadelphia store model led to the arrest today of Arthur Williams in connection with the blackmailing conspiracy, which used the Mann act as a lever.

The complainant, whose name is withheld by the Federal officers who are investigating the conspiracy, said she accompanied a man to New York on January 18, registering at a hotel. During the evening, four men entered the hotel, dis-

played shields and said they were government agents.

They forced the woman and her escort to accompany them to the street. On the sidewalk they agreed to permit the escape of the pair on payment of \$500. The woman drew the money from the bank, she said, and paid it to the men.

DIVERSIFIED FARMS LEAD.

Most Successful Farmers Have Several Income Sources.

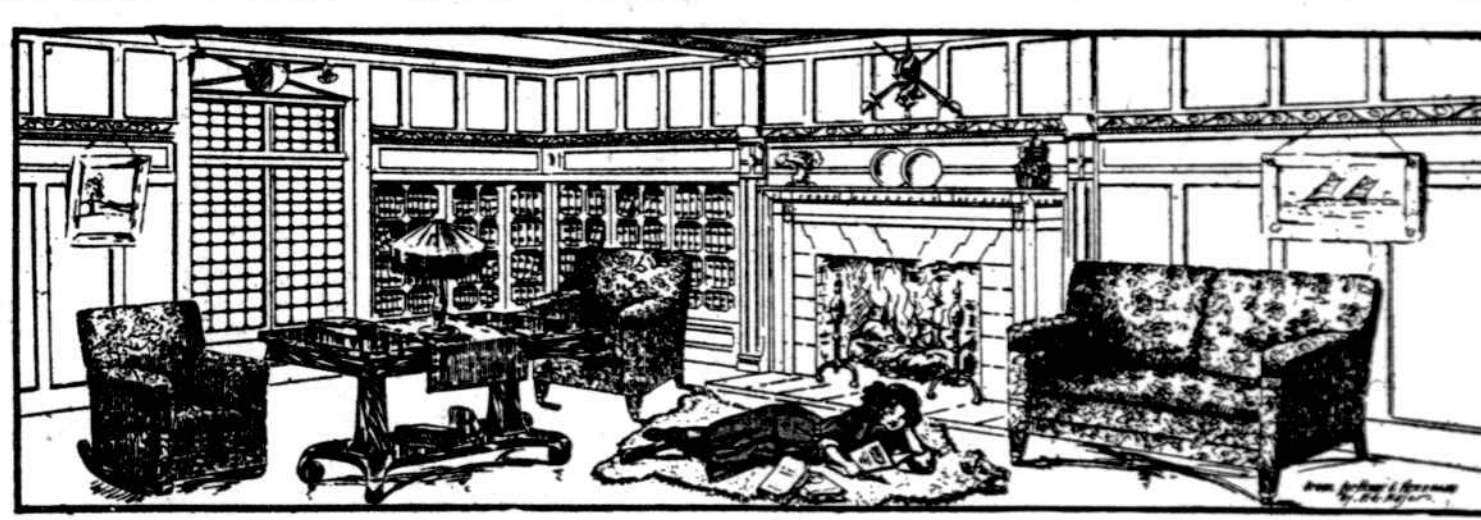
In most cases where studies on the profits in farming have been made, particularly in our oldest agricultural districts, such studies indicate that the most successful farms are those which have from two to four major sources of income; i. e., they have a well-balanced and diversified business.

In certain instances it may pay better

to have only one enterprise, but usually when one crop pays much better than all others the production of it increases rapidly and soon the price falls to the point where the other crops or products are equally as profitable. Diversified farming is often confused with farming where there is a little of everything and not much of anything. Either extreme lessens the chances of success. When the price of certain crops is very low then live stock usually becomes desirable. However, if the returns per animal are poor, cash crops even at a low price are essential. A well-balanced business insures against losses and provides a much better utilization of the labor and equipment.

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